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Applicant: Hughes  
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**LETTER TO THE OFFICIAL DRAFTSMAN**

Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby submits three (3) sheets of formal drawings. Favorable consideration is requested.

Respectfully Submitted,

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